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House No. HB0670
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10
and Title 8, Chapters 3 through 5, relative to restrictions on
campaign fundraising.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following new section:

A candidate for the secretary of state, including an incumbent, may not solicit
campaign funds, but the candidate may establish committees of responsible persons to
secure and manage the expenditures of funds for the campaign. A candidate's
committee may solicit funds for the campaign no earlier than October 1 of the year
preceding an election and no later than the last day of February of the year of the
election. A candidate may not use or permit the use of campaign contributions for
personal private benefit or the private benefit of a family member.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 4, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following new section:

A candidate for the comptroller, including an incumbent, may not solicit campaign funds, but the candidate may establish committees of responsible persons to secure and manage the expenditures of funds for the campaign. A candidate's committee may solicit funds for the campaign no earlier than October 1 of the year preceding an election and no later than the last day of February of the year of the election. A candidate may not use or permit the use of campaign contributions for personal private benefit or the private benefit of a family member.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following new section:

A candidate for the treasurer, including an incumbent, may not solicit campaign funds, but the candidate may establish committees of responsible persons to secure and manage the expenditures of funds for the campaign. A candidate's committee may solicit funds for the campaign no earlier than October 1 of the year preceding an election and no later than the last day of February of the year of the election. A candidate may not use or permit the use of campaign contributions for personal private benefit or the private benefit of a family member.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, is amended by adding the following new section:

(a) A candidate for the legislature, including an incumbent, may not solicit or accept a campaign contribution or a promise or pledge to make a contribution either directly, through a campaign committee or other means, from January 1 of each year until the earlier of:

(1) June 1 of that year; or

(2) the day immediately after the conclusion of the regular annual session.

(b) This prohibition does not apply during an extraordinary session called after the sine die adjournment of the general assembly.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.